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Dear Sir:

In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.56, and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.97-1.99, Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the United States Patent Office the following reference(s).

The information listed herein was cited in a Search Report in a corresponding international application. The information listed herein below may not qualify as prior art, and should not be considered prior art merely from Applicants' citation herein. 37 C.F.R. 1.96(h).

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Foreign Patents

European Patent Application No. EP0763936A2 by Kim, Yung Gil; Filed: September 6, 1996; Published: March 19, 1997; Title: ILLEGAL VIEW/COPY PROTECTION METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIGITAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

Japanese Patent Application No. 10-145773; Filed/Published: May 29, 1998; Title: Unknown (No English Translation)

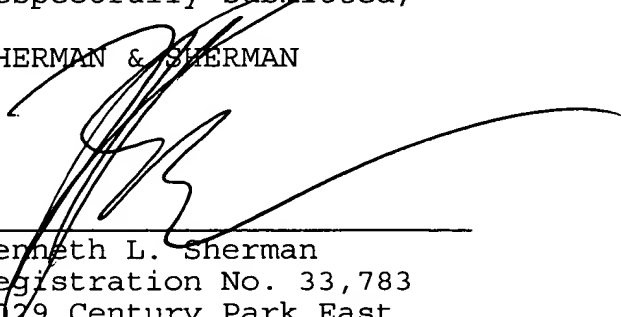
International Patent Application No. PCT/US97/08490 by Ryan, John O.; Filed: May 15, 1997; Published: November 20, 1997; Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COPY PROTECTION OF COPYRIGHTED MATERIAL ON VARIOUS RECORDING MEDIA

Copies of these documents are attached herewith, and are listed on the PTO Form 1449.

If the Examiner believes a telephone interview will help further the prosecution of this case, Applicants respectfully request that the undersigned attorney be contacted at the listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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